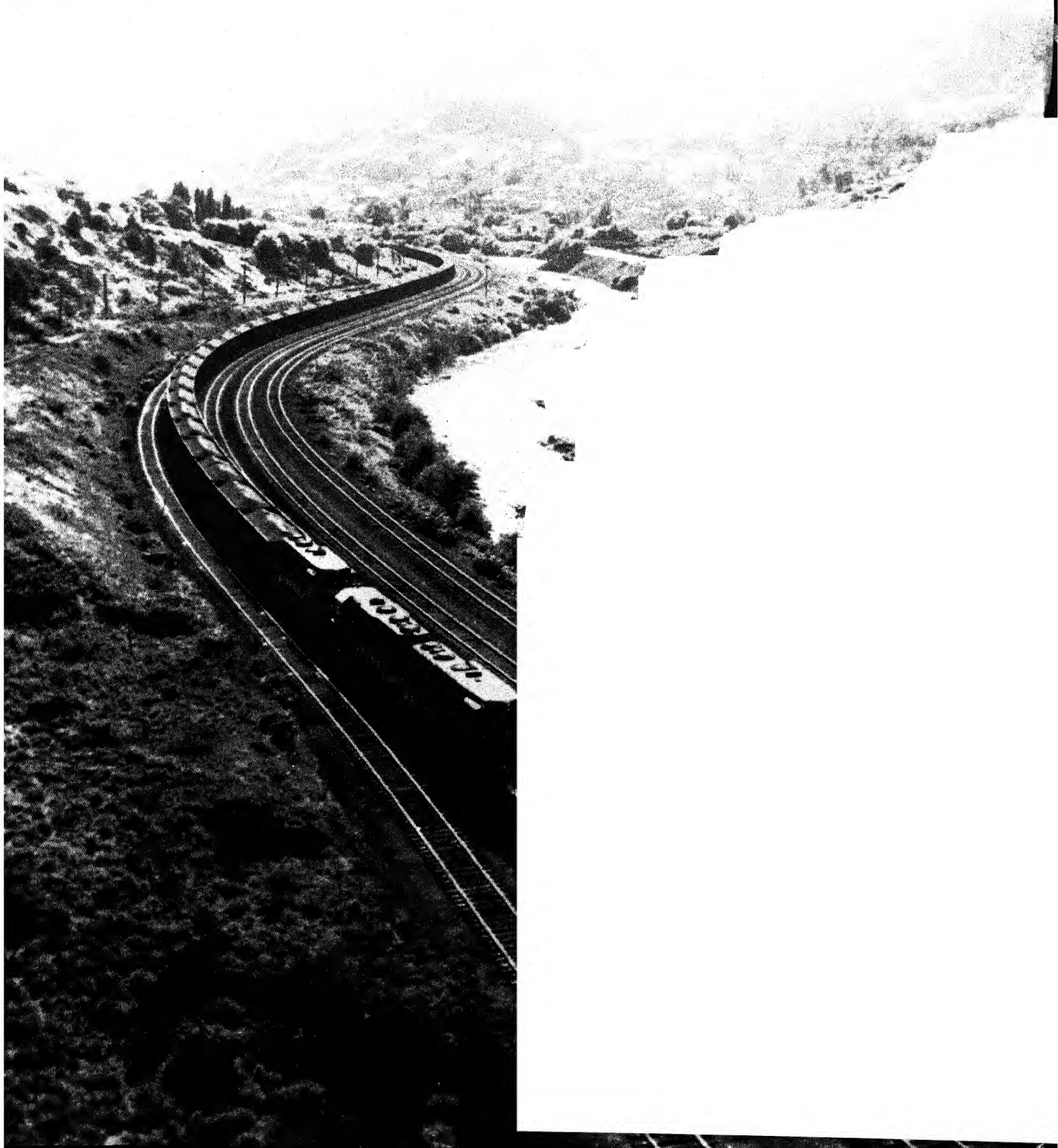


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Weekly Coal Production

Production for Week Ended:
December 29, 1990.



Preface

The *Weekly Coal Production (WCP)* provides weekly estimates of U.S. coal production by State. Supplementary data are usually published monthly in two supplements: the Coal Exports and Imports Supplement and the Domestic Market Supplement. The Coal Exports and Imports Supplement contains detailed monthly data on U.S. coal and coke exports and imports. The Domestic Market Supplement contains detailed monthly electric utility coal statistics, by Census Division and State, for generation, consumption, stocks, receipts, sulfur content, prices, and the origin and destination of coal shipments. This supplement also contains summary-level, monthly data for all coal-consuming sectors on a quarterly basis.

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Summary

U.S. coal production in the week ended December 29, 1990, as estimated by the Energy Information Administration, totaled 11 million short tons, 38 percent below the previous week and 9 percent below the comparable week in 1989. Production east of the Mississippi River totaled 6 million short tons, and production west of the Mississippi River totaled 6 million short tons.

Production was lower than the previous week in every State, with the exception of Arkansas, Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming, due to the Christmas Day holiday. The large decrease in production east of the Mississippi River reflects the decision by some mine operators to exercise the four-day floating holiday option, contained in the United Mine Workers of America contract, during Christmas week.

Figure 1. Coal Production

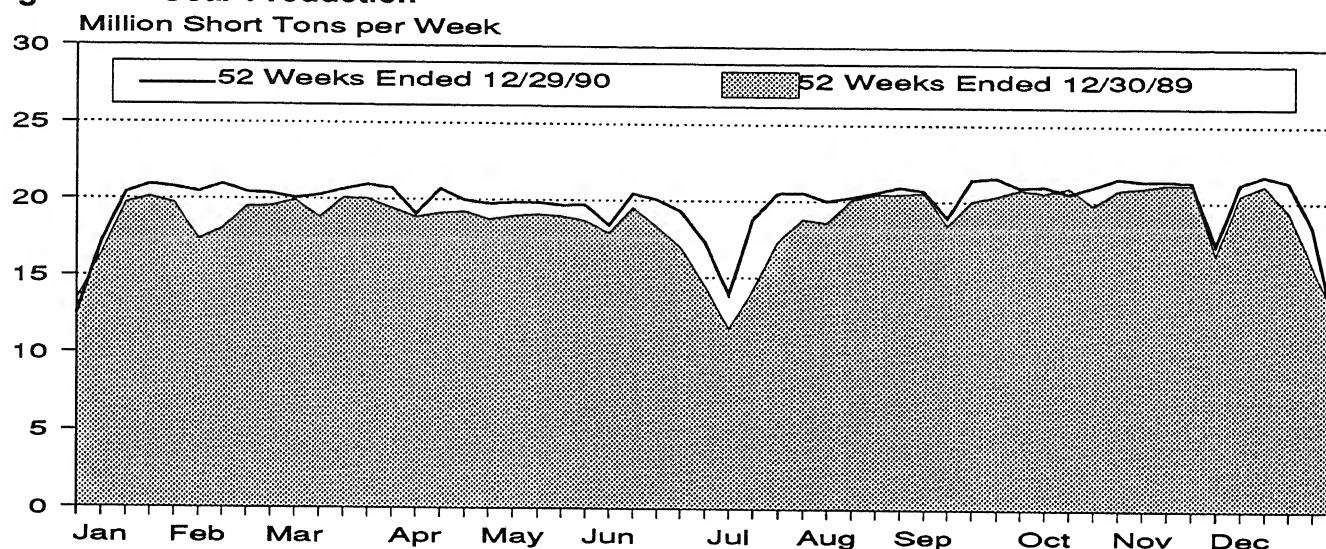


Table 1. Coal Production

	Week Ended			52 Weeks Ended		
Production and Carloadings	12/29/90	12/22/90	12/30/89	12/29/90	12/30/89	Percent Change
Production (Thousand Short Tons)						
Bituminous ¹ and Lignite	11,365	18,335	12,460	1,034,406	977,381	5.8
Pennsylvania Anthracite	23	44	37	3,291	3,348	-1.7
U.S. Total	11,389	18,379	12,497	1,037,697	980,729	5.8
Railroad Cars Loaded	72,144	117,555	79,620	6,684,674	6,360,460	

¹Includes subbituminous coal.

Notes: 1990 data are preliminary. Totals may not equal sum of components due to independent rounding.

Sources: Association of American Railroads, Transportation Division, Weekly Statement CS-54A; Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-6, "Coal Distribution Report"; Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report"; and State mining agency coal production reports.

Table 2. Coal Production by State
(Thousand Short Tons)

Region and State	Week Ended		
	12/29/90	12/22/90	12/30/89
Bituminous Coal¹ and Lignite			
East of the Mississippi	5,716	11,833	5,924
Alabama	302	545	262
Illinois	638	1,214	767
Indiana	281	677	396
Kentucky	1,493	3,295	1,533
Kentucky, Eastern	1,165	2,469	1,103
Kentucky, Western	328	825	430
Maryland	27	60	28
Ohio	333	664	331
Pennsylvania Bituminous	551	1,128	713
Tennessee	78	138	66
Virginia	475	858	371
West Virginia	1,538	3,254	1,457
West of the Mississippi	5,649	6,502	6,536
Alaska	17	27	26
Arizona	140	226	148
Arkansas	1	1	1
Colorado	206	345	271
Iowa	4	7	4
Kansas	13	22	15
Louisiana	9	35	8
Missouri	33	53	46
Montana	596	577	746
New Mexico	139	356	361
North Dakota	491	475	556
Oklahoma	28	34	34
Texas	638	1,028	657
Utah	242	409	309
Washington	57	93	65
Wyoming	3,035	2,816	3,288
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